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Citations and explanations:

Document 1: JP 5-4503 A (Sumitomo Rubber Industries, Ltd.) 14 January 1993, Par. No. 0017; Fig. 6 (Family: none)

Document 2: JP 2003-252007 A (Sumitomo Rubber Industries, Ltd.) 09 September 2003, claims; drawings & EP 1342592 A2 & US 2003/173013 A1

Document 3: JP 11-245616 A (PIRELLI PNEUMATICI S.P.A.) 14 September 1999, claims; drawings & US 6397911 A & EP 928703 A1

Document 4: JP 8-25910 A (Sumitomo Rubber Industries, Ltd.) 30 January 1996, claims; drawings & JP 2916080 B2

Claims 1-6

The inventions of claims 1-6 appear to be novel and to involve an inventive step over any of documents 1-4 cited in the ISR.

The pneumatic tire for motorcycles having the specific structure stipulated in claim 1 is neither described nor suggested and this is not an obvious matter to a party skilled in the art.

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